IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method of preparing a dry powder inhalation composition comprising the steps of:

(a) mixing a carrier with a first portion of a first particulate inhalant medicament to form ~~an~~ a first mixture;

(b) mixing said first mixture with a second particulate inhalant medicament to form a second mixture; and

(c) mixing said second mixture with a second portion of the first particulate inhalant medicament to form a dry powder inhalation composition,

wherein, in the dry powder inhalation composition from step (c), the ratio by weight of the second particulate inhalant medicament to the carrier is less than the ratio by weight of the first particulate inhalant medicament to the carrier.

2. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1, wherein the first portion of the first particulate inhalant medicament is less than half weight by weight of the total amount of the first particulate inhalant medicament in the dry powder inhalation composition.

3. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1, wherein the first portion of first particulate inhalant medicament is less than 2% weight by weight of the total amount of carrier.

4. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claims~~ claim 1, wherein the first portion of the first particulate inhalant medicament is sufficient to create a monolayer of the first particulate inhalant medicament on the carrier.

5. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1, wherein the carrier is lactose.

6. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claims 1 or 5~~ claim 1, wherein the first particulate inhalant medicament is

an antiinflammatory steroid or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

7. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claims~~ claims 1, 5 or 6, wherein the first particulate inhalant medicament is budesonide or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

8. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claims~~ claims 1 or 5, wherein the particulate inhalant second medicament is a bronchodilator or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

9. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claims~~ claims 1, 5 or 6, wherein the second particulate inhalant ~~second~~ medicament is formoterol or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

10. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1, wherein the ratio of the first particulate inhalant medicament to the second particulate inhalant medicament by weight is from 5:1 to 100:1.

11. (currently amended) A dry powder inhalation composition prepared by a process comprising the steps of:

(a) mixing a carrier with a first portion of a first particulate inhalant medicament to form an first mixture;

(b) mixing said first mixture with a second particulate inhalant medicament to form a second mixture; and

(c) mixing said second mixture with a second portion of the first particulate inhalant medicament to form a dry powder inhalation composition,

wherein, in the dry powder inhalation composition from step (c), the ratio by weight of the second particulate inhalant medicament to the carrier is less than the ratio by weight of the first particulate inhalant medicament to the carrier.

12. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A dry powder inhalation composition ~~of~~ according to ~~Claim~~ claim 11, wherein the first particulate inhalant medicament is budesonide or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

13. (currently amended) ~~The~~ A dry powder inhalation composition ~~of~~ according to ~~Claim~~ claim 11, wherein the second particulate inhalant medicament is formoterol fumarate dehydrate.

14. (currently amended) A MDPI comprising a composition according to ~~Claims~~ claims 11-13.

15. (currently amended) A method for the administration of a particulate medicament, comprising inhalation from a multidose dry powder inhaler of a composition of any one of ~~Claims~~ claims 11-13.